

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/749,855	KWA ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed on 1 August 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-2, 4-12, 14-18, 20-24, and 26-28.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in responsive to amendment filed on 1 August 2006.
2. Claims 3,13,19, and 25 have been cancelled.
3. Claims 1 – 2, 4 –12, 19 – 24, and 26 – 28 are allowed.

Reasons For Allowance

4. With respect to claims 1,12, 18, and 24, the prior art fails to disclose or suggest “de-asserting an indicator within a message packet to allow the processor to enter into the power state in response to a request from the processor to enter into the power state if a plurality of incoherent transactions pending in the buffer of the chipset device exceeds a second threshold”, “the power management circuitry de-asserts an indicator within a second message packet to allow the processor to enter into the power state if a plurality of incoherent transactions pending in the buffer of the root complex device exceeds a second threshold”, “the memory controller to allow a processor in the computing system to enter into the power state in response to a request from the processor to enter into a power state if a plurality of incoherent transactions pending in a buffer of the memory controller exceeds an entry threshold, and to prevent the processor from entering into the power state if the plurality of incoherent transactions is below the entry threshold and to cause the processor to exit from the power state if a plurality of coherent transactions pending in the buffer of the memory controller exceeds an exit threshold”, and “the power management circuitry de-asserts an indicator within the second message packet in response to a request from the processor to enter into the power state to allow the processor to enter into the power state if a plurality of

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incoherent transactions pending in the buffer of the memory controller exceeds a second threshold “ respectively. Claims 2, 4 – 11, 14 – 17, 20 – 23, and 26 – 28 depend from claims 1, 12, 18, and 124 respectively, and likewise are allowable.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nitin C. Patel whose telephone number is 571-272-3675. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30 am - 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lynne H. Browne can be reached on 571-272-3670. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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